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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham announced today the filing of a 16-count Indictment¹ charging defendant DANI LINTON with committing the robberies of commercial businesses in Philadelphia on 11 occasions from on or about August 24, 2004, to on or about September 22, 2004, as follows:

Number	Date	Business/location
1	8/24/04	Rite Aid 5040 City Line Avenue Philadelphia
2	8/27/04	Rite Aid 338 E. Allegheny Avenue Philadelphia
3	8/28/04	Eckerd 2545 Aramingo Ave Philadelphia
4	9/14/04	Rite Aid 6731 Woodland Avenue Philadelphia
5	9/16/04	Rite Aid 5040 City Line Avenue Philadelphia
6	9/16/04	Rite Aid 6140 Woodland Avenue Philadelphia

 $^{^{1}}$ An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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7	9/18/04	CVS 4849 Market Street Philadelphia
8	9/18/04	Rite Aid 3900 Castor Avenue Philadelphia
9	9/19/04	Rite Aid 5214 Baltimore Avenue Philadelphia
10	9/20/04	Rite Aid 4641 Chestnut Street Philadelphia
11	9/22/04	Rite Aid 1100 N. 63rd Street Philadelphia

This investigation and prosecution was part of *Project Safe Neighborhoods*, a joint initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, each of the nine District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and prosecute dangerous firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Recently, as an extension of Project Safe Neighborhoods, the United States Attorney's Office, FBI, ATF, Philadelphia Police Department, and other law enforcement agencies have established the *Hobbs Act Robbery Task Force* to investigate and prosecute organized gangs and groups committing commercial armed robberies in this district. Defendant LINTON faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, with a mandatory of 105 years imprisonment consecutive to any other sentence imposed, a \$4,000,000 fine, a 5 year period of supervised release, and a \$1600 special assessment.

This case has been investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department, and other state and local law enforcement agencies. The case has been assigned to Special Assistant United States Attorney Arlene D. Fisk.

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INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
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